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AMENDED CLAIMS

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1. A liquid filtering device (110), particularly for irrigation water installations comprising:

Housing (112, 114) with an inlet port (120) and an outlet port (116);

a core member (124) centrally mounted within the housing comprising at one axial end thereof an abutment ring (138) associated with a male screw-thread for mounting the core member (124) to the housing (114) next to and in communication with the inlet port (120);

a discs-type filter member (170) supported by the core-member (124) so that water flowing from the inlet port (120) enters the filter member in a radial direction, and is discharged through the outlet port (116), and vice-versa during reversed, filter flushing flow cycles;

a piston assembly (140) mounted to the core member (124) comprising a piston (158) and a displaceable member (160) coupled to the piston and abutting against the filter member at the other axial side thereof;

characterized in that the mounting of the core member (124) comprises a female screw-threaded split ring (202) matching the male screw-thread; and a circular convergent cone shaped trough (200b) encompassing the split ring and fixedly mounted to housing,

the arrangement being such that upon threading together, the splitring is attracted towards the abutment ring (138) and thus becomes selftightened against the cone-shaped wall of the trough.

The device as claimed in Claim 1 wherein the said trough is open at atleast one side thereof (200a) allowing the split ring to be inserted thereinto by elastically squeezing same into a smaller diameter.

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